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SUBJECT: PORTUGUESE FONMIN TO PARTICIPATE IN FUND-  
RAISING FOR HIS PARTY IN THE NETHERLANDS

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1. PORTUGUESE FOREIGN MINISTER MARIO SOARES IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IN THE NETHERLANDS JANUARY 24 TO PARTICIPATE IN A CAMPAIGN ORGANIZED BY THE DUTCH LABOR PARTY (PVDA), THE SOCIALIST BROADCASTING GROUP (VARA) AND THE COUNTRY'S LARGEST TRADE UNION FEDERATION (NVV) TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE PORTUGUESE SOCIALIST PARTY. SOARES HAS CONFIRMED TO THE CAMPAIGN ORGANIZERS THAT CURRENT TENSIONS IN THE  
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PORTUGUESE CABINET REGARDING THE STABLISHMENT OF A

UNITARY TRADE UNION FEDERATION WILL NOT KEEP HIM FROM COMING TO HOLLAND. (THE PVDA, FOR ITS PART, HAS PLAYED DOWN THE RECENT SPLIT IN SOARES' PARTY.)

2. DURING HIS VISIT, SOARES WILL ADDRESS THE ROTTERDAM BRANCH OF HIS PARTY (PORTUGUESE IMMIGRANT WORKERS) AND WILL SEE PRIME MINISTER DEN UYL (CHAIRMAN OF THE "KEEP PORTUGAL FREE" CAMPAIGN), FOREIGN MINISTER VAN DER STOEL, DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE MINISTER PRONK, AND NVV PRESIDENT KOK. SOARES WILL ALSO PARTICIPATE IN VARA'S JANUARY 25 TV APPEAL FOR FUNDS FOR THE PSP. (THE BROADCASTING GROUP IS DEVOTING ALL OF ITS PROGRAMMING THAT DAY TO THE FUND-RAISING CAMPAIGN).

3. THE CAMPAIGN, AND ITS TITLE ("KEEP PORTUGAL FREE") HAVE CAUSED SOME CONCERN AMONG OTHER POLITICAL PARTIES WHICH HAVE ACCUSED THE LABOR PARTY OF USING A CATCHY SLOGAN WITH BORAD APPEAL TO RAISE MONEY FOR ONLY ONE OF THE MANY PORTUGUESE POLITICAL PARTIES. THE CATHOLIC PEOPLES PARTY (KVP) OFFERED TO JOIN IN THE CAMPAIGN EARLIER IF THE LABOR PARTY WOULD AGREE TO CHANNEL THE PROCEEDS TO CENTER PARTIES, NAMELY THE PARTIDO POPULAR DEMOCRATICO (PPD), AS WELL AS TO SOARES, BUT THE LABOR PARTY REFUSED. THE KVP MAINTAINS TIES WITH THE PPD, BUT HAS NO PLANS AT PRESENT TO MOUNT A SIMILAR FUND-RAISING CAMPAIGN ON ITS BEHALF. THE PACIFIST SOCIALIST PARTY HAS ALSO REFUSED TO TAKE PART IN THE EFFORT TO HELP SOARES AND HAS ANNOUNCED THAT IT WILL RAISE FUNDS FOR THE MOVIMENTO DA ESQUERDA SOCIALISTA (MES).

4. DESPITE RUMBLINGS OF DISCONTENT THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY OVER THE JANUARY 25 EFFORT, THE DUTCH LABOR PARTY HAS HIGH HOPES FOR A SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN. THERE WILL BE STREET COLLECTIONS IN SOME 800 DUTCH COMMUNITIES INCLUDING ALL OF THE LARGE CITIES. (THE AMSTERDAM CITY COUNCIL, HOWEVER, HAS INSISTED WZO THE COLLECTION BE IDENTIFIED AS GOING TO THE PORTUGUESE SOCIALISTS AND NOT JUST UNDER THE "KEEP PORTUGAL FREE" BANNER.) ONE LABOR PARTY OFFICIAL INVOLVED IN THE CAMPAIGN HAS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TOLD US THAT THEY HOPE TO COLLECT SOME 500,000 GUILDERS (US \$205,000).  
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